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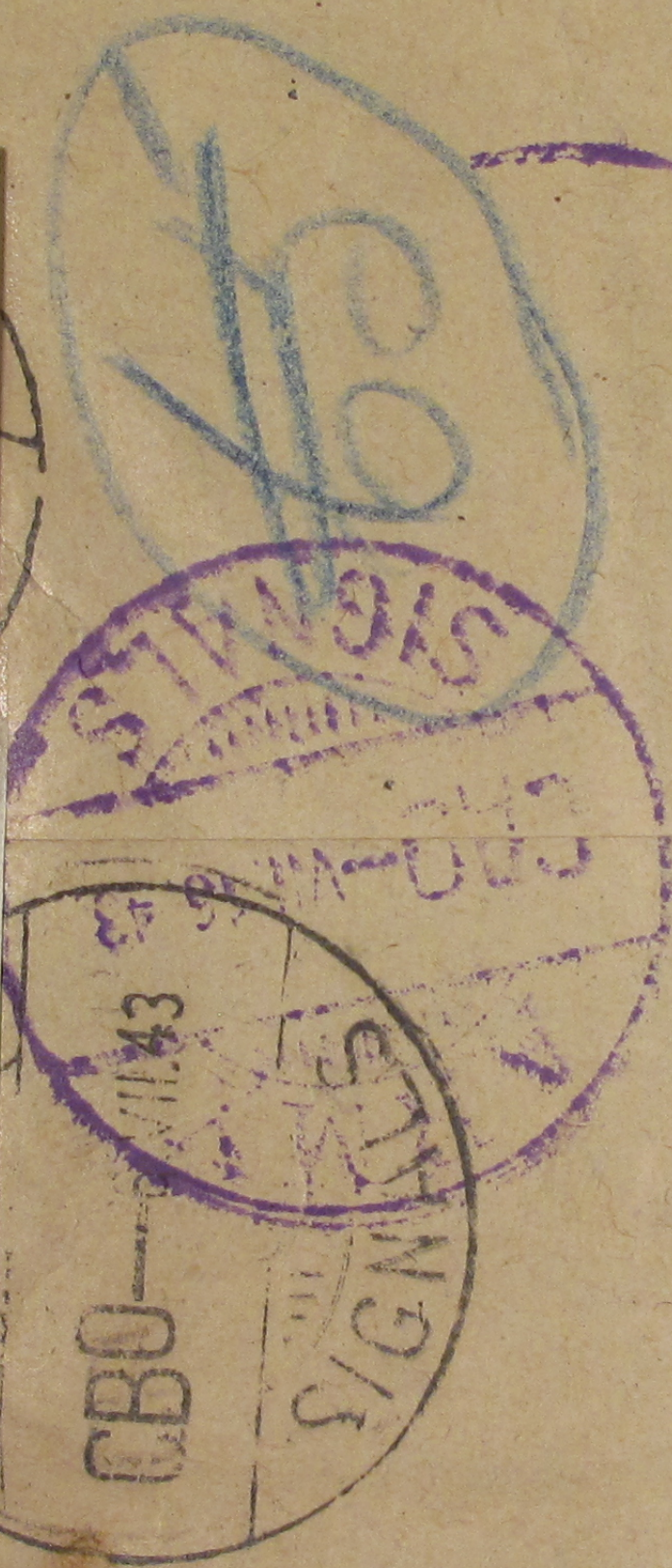
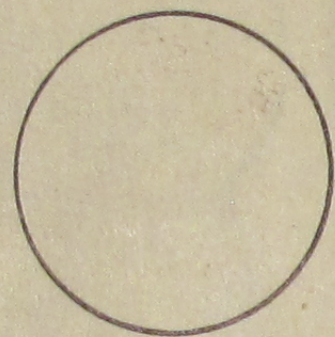
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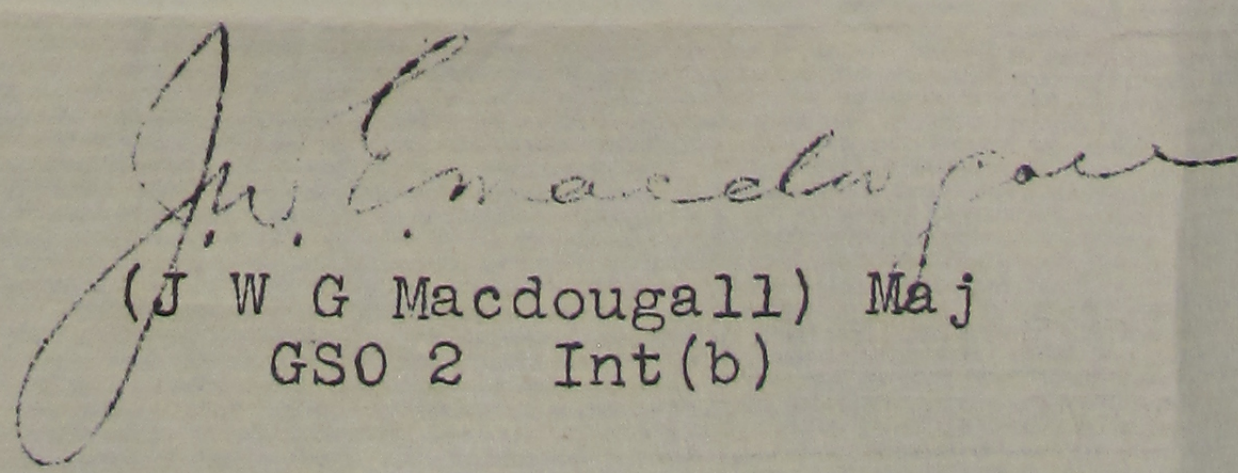
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CANADIAN ARMY OVERSEAS  
INTERNAL SECURITY INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Attached is Copy No 0041 of Canadian Army Overseas Internal Security Instructions.
- 2 It is requested that you carefully peruse these instructions. Particular attention should be paid to the paras dealing with the secrecy of the system. It is suggested that after each perusal this document be placed under lock and key in an envelope sealed with a label bearing your signature.
- 3 All correspondence and reports regarding Internal Security will take the form of Secret and Personal letters, under double cover, addressed "GSO 2 Int(b) First Cdn Army," the inner envelope being marked "SECRET & PERSONAL."
- 4 Please acknowledge on substitute AFA 16 below.

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SECRET & PERSONAL

For the purpose of these instructions, the General Staff (Ib) signifies one of the following according to the circumstances:

G.S.O.2 (M.O. & I) C.M.H.Q.  
G.S.O.2 (Ib) H.Q. First Cdn. Army

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0041

TO: Commanding Officers, All C.A.O. Forces

CANADIAN ARMY OVERSEAS INTERNAL SECURITY INSTRUCTIONS

1. *Internal Security Cases*

Any effort made by a member of our armed forces, or by civilians, to undermine the LOYALTY, MORALE or DISCIPLINE of the forces constitutes the basis of an Internal Security (IS) Case. Every C.O. recognizes his responsibility in such cases and the *Internal Security System* exists to assist him with the delicate problems which they present.

2. *Origin of IS Case*

Soldiers who belong to Communist, Fascist, Pro-Nazi or Pacifist organizations may attempt subversive activities with the objects outlined above. Others, merely discontented, may be suspected of such activities. It is important that care be taken in identifying such cases and in reporting them.

3. *Reporting of IS Cases*

Immediately a soldier is suspected by his C.O. of being engaged in subversive activities a brief report of the circumstances should be sent direct to G.S. I(b) by hand of officer or by registered army post. Comds of higher formations should be kept verbally informed if the circumstances warrant.

The following points should be given consideration in the handling of all IS cases and in the submission of reports.

(a) *Secrecy*.—It is essential for the healthy morale of units and the safeguarding of innocent men who may come under suspicion that:—

(i) Knowledge of such suspicions should be limited to those few who know or must be informed of them.

(ii) No man under observation or being reported on should ever become aware of it, or of any circumstances connected therewith.

(iii) Only Senior Regimental Officers, or Junior Officers as circumstances require them to be consulted, should know of the existence of the Internal Security System.

(b) *Political Views*.—The army is not concerned with the Political Views of its officers and O.Rs. so long as the latter do not engage in activities contrary to K.R. (Can.) (paras. 428 and 429).

4. C.Os. should on no account approach the civil police regarding soldiers suspected of subversive activities. This is the responsibility of the General Staff I(b).

5. If civilians should be found distributing subversive literature to troops, the civil police should be summoned to deal with them. Any other circumstances touching suspected subversive activities by civilians should be reported at once to appropriate Field Security Officer.

6. It is suggested that Field Security Officers may be in a position to offer valuable advice on IS problems and it is recommended that C.Os. contact the appropriate Field Security Officer whenever they are in doubt as to the proper action to be taken. F.S.Os., however, are not permitted to undertake investigations in IS cases without previous sanctions of G.S. I(b).

7. No commanding officer need be afraid of prejudicing a soldier by reporting something which may be satisfactorily explained. The General Staff I(b) is always anxious to safeguard the welfare of the soldier and clear him of suspicion, if possible.





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